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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-54 (canceled)

Claim 55 (new): An electrical energy generating device, comprising:

a cell having at least a hydrogen electrode;

a proton conductor film;

an oxygen electrode;

a sheet cover having both air permeability and waterproof characteristics, wherein the sheet cover shrouds the cell; and a water-absorbent sheet having air permeability characteristics and a water-absorbing property which is provided inside the sheet cover, wherein the water absorbent sheet shrouds the cell.

Claim 56 (new): An electrical energy generating device as claimed in claim 55, further comprising a casing having a plurality of apertures between the sheet cover and the water-absorbent sheet, wherein the casing shrouds the cell.

Claim 57 (new): An electrical energy generating device as claimed in claim 56, wherein the water-absorbent sheet is formed of a water-absorbent material having a plurality of apertures.